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## A CORRECTION IN NOMENCLATURE

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On looking over the moss lists given in Seemann's *Botany of the Voyage of H. M. S. Herald* (1852), I became aware of a new species from Alaska named *Polytrichum cavifolium*, by the description of which I was struck. As this has been neglected in all the subsequent bryological literature, I transcribe the passage in question (pages 44-45) here:

"*Polytrichum cavifolium* Wils. mss.; caule simplici breviusculo, foliis dissitis oblongo-ellipticis integerrimis concavis acutiusculis nervo angustiore parce lamellato, capsula subcylindrica incurviuscula peristomio longiore, calyptra nuda.—*P. lævigatum* Hook. et Arn. in Bot. Beech. p. 133. Kotzebue Sound.

This species differs from *P. lævigatum* of Hook. Musc. Exot. in having the capsule longer and narrower, not contracted at the mouth, teeth of the peristome twice as long, leaves longer and narrower, less obtuse, almost apiculate, margin entire, not crenulate."

While among the characters adduced those taken from the sporogone are individual and do not hold as specific ones, the description of the leaves permits no doubt as to the identity of the plant: they are precisely those by which *Psilopilum tschuetschicum* differs from *Ps. lævigatum*; the entire margin of the leaves, the narrow nerve with fewer lamellæ, and indeed also the almost apiculate summit of the leaves, are fully sufficient for determination. According to this the name *Ps. tschuetschicum* must be changed into

*Psilopilum cavifolium* (Wils.) Hagen

Syn:—*Polytrichum lævigatum* (haud Wahlenb.) Hook. & W. Arn. in Bot. Capt. Beech. Voy. p. 133. (1841). fide Wils.

*Polytrichum cavifolium* Wils. in Seem. Bot. Voy. Herald. p. 44. (1852).

*Catharinea tschuetschica* Müll. Hal. in Bot. Centralb. 16: 93. (1883). etc.

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## LUNULARIA CRUCIATA (L.) DUMORT., IN THE OPEN

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On June 7th, last, I noted a hepatic growing freely in front of a house in the southeastern part of Los Angeles. Upon examination it proved to be *Lunularia cruciata* (L.) Dumort. It is noted in our local lists as being "common in green-houses," but in this case it covers about 30 square feet on the north side of the house and seems in the shadiest part to be crowding out the lawn grass and is also growing freely on the bricks of the foundation of the house. I have not yet noted it in fruit, but expect to keep watch of this most interesting find.

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